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Serial No. U.S.S.N. 09/423,981
Filed on February 18, 2000
For: Aluminum-Alloy Based Sliding Material

DECLARATION UNDER C.F.R. 1.132

Honorable Commissioner, Patents and Trademarks
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I, Syogo Muramatsu has a residence at c/o TAIHO KOGYO CO., LTD., 65
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I am a co-inventor of the captioned patent and hereby declare:

THAT, I graduated on March, 1982 from Bachelor Course of Muroran Institute
of Technology.

THAT, I was employed on April 1, 1982 by TAIHO KOGYO CO., LTD.

THAT, I was engaged in the following works in the company in development of
compressor components

THAT the seizure load of the flame-sprayed aluminum (Table 2, No.1) was
40kg/cm².

THAT an aluminum alloy containing 17 weight % of Si (Table 2, No.1) was cast
by a conventional gravity casting method and was then subjected to the same seizure test
as in Example 2 of the present specification. The seizure load was 60kg/cm².

I, the undersigned declarant, declare further that all statements made herein of
my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are
believed to be true, and; further, that these statements were made with the knowledge
that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment,
or both, under section 1001, of Title 18, of the United States Code, and, that such willful
false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application and any patent issuing
thereon.

Signed this 1st day of July 2003

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